

Curriculum Vitae

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Education

UCLA (Ph.D., M.A., economics, 1993)
University of Texas-Austin (B.S., major in economics, minor in computer science, 1985)
International Chinese Language Program, National Taiwan University, 2010-11, Summer 2017.

Academic Experience

<u>Institution</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Dates</u>
Wright State University	Assistant Professor	Sept., 1994 – May, 2001
	Associate Professor	May, 2001 – May, 2006
	Professor	May, 2006 – Present
	Department Chair (interim)	August, 2016 – May, 2017
University of Applied Sciences, Jena (Germany)	Visiting Professor	Nov.-Dec. 2009
Soochow University (Taiwan)	Visiting Professor	Sept., 2008-Jan., 2009; Dec., 2011-Jan., 2012, May, 2018-June, 2018 (forthcoming)
Osaka University, Institute Of Social and Economic Research	Visiting Foreign Scholar	Sept., 2002-May, 2003
California State U., Fullerton	Adjunct	Aug., 1993-May, 1994

Professional Membership

American Economic Association

North American Association of Sports Economists

Western Economic Association

Awards

Research

April, 2015: WSU Brage Golding distinguished Professor of Research (university-wide career-achievement award, awarded to one Wright State faculty member annually)

Spring, 2002: "Truth, Effort and the Legal Battle" awarded Duncan Black Prize as outstanding paper published in 2001 in *Public Choice*.

Spring, 2002: Outstanding scholarship award, Wright State University Raj Soin College of Business, 2001-2002 academic year.

Spring, 2001: Outstanding scholarship award, Wright State University Raj Soin College of Business, 2000-2001 academic year.

Spring, 1999: Outstanding scholarship award, Wright State University College of Business and Administration, 1998-1999 academic year.

Teaching

Fall, 2016: Grant (\$3500), Charles Koch Foundation, to enable monthly readings and guest panels on freedom of expression and on public corruption.

Spring, 2015: Outstanding teacher award, Wright State University Department of Economics, 2014-2015 academic year.

Spring, 2013: Outstanding teacher award, Wright State University Department of Economics, 2012-2013 academic year.

Spring, 2012: Outstanding teacher award, Wright State University Department of Economics, 2011-2012 academic year.

March, 2008: Recipient of Fulbright Grant #8177, 2008-9 academic year, from United States Department of State, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, to teach on globalization at Soochow University, Taipei, Taiwan (September 2008-January 2009)

Spring, 2006: Outstanding graduate teacher award, Wright State University Raj Soin College of Business, 2005-2006 academic year.

Spring, 2004: Best teacher, 2003-2004 Wright State China MBA cohort. (Note: students in program took classes from thirteen teachers.)

Note: WSU has approximately 700 tenure-line professors eligible for university-wide research awards. Raj Soin College of Business has approximately 70 faculty eligible for college teaching and 55 tenure-line professors eligible for college scholarship awards. The Department of Economics typically has about 11 faculty members eligible for its teaching awards.

Scholarship

Printed Scholarship

Refereed journal articles

Feng, Xingyuan, Li, Weisen and Osborne, Evan. "Classical Liberalism in China: Some History and Prospects." *Econ Journal Watch*, 14(2), May 2017, 218-240.

Osborne, Evan. "China's Transitioning Class Identity." *China Finance and Economics Review* 4 (5), March 13, 2016, DOI: 10.1186/s40589-016-0028-9 (4 citations by others)

Osborne, Evan. "A Revolutionary's Evolution: Changing Views of The Wealth of Nations in China." *Adam Smith Review* 9, 2016, 295-319.

Osborne, Evan. "The State of Creativity in Contemporary China." *Contemporary Finance*, 2014 (1), 11-25. (欧思博, "当代中国真正创造力的程度与形成。" *当代财经* 2014 年 01 期 11 页至 25 页) (In Chinese)

Osborne, Evan. "Art as a Capital Asset." *Cultura* 10 (2), December 2013, 23-39.

Osborne, Evan. "Upsets." *Journal of Sports Economics*, 13 (3), June 2012, 314-320. (1 citation by others)

Osborne, Evan. "China's First Liberal." *The Independent Review*, 16 (4), Spring 2012, 533-551 (2 citations by others, 1 self-citation).

Osborne, Evan. "Economic Freedom, Ethnic Separatism and Ethnic Conflict." *Journal of Developing Areas* 44 (1), Fall 2010, 367-381. (5 citations by others + 1 self-citation)

Osborne, Evan. "Why Do (Some Kinds of) Stars Get the Calls?" *Journal of Sports Economics* 11 (2), April 2010, 203-213 (1 citation by others).

Osborne, Evan and Schiller, Shu. "Order and Creativity in Virtual Worlds." *Journal of Virtual Worlds Research*, 2 (3), 2009, <http://jvwresearch.org/index.php?cms=1256156644> (10 citations by others)

Osborne, Evan. "Commerce is Beautiful." *Independent Review*, 13 (1), Summer 2008, 41-56.

Archontakis, Fragiskos, and Osborne, Evan. "Playing it Safe? A Fibonacci Strategy for Soccer Betting." *Journal of Sports Economics* 8 (3), June 2007, 295-308 (10 citations by others)

Osborne, Evan. "Corruption and Technological Progress: A Takeoff Theory of Good Governance." *Atlantic Economic Journal* 34 (3), September 2006, 289-302. (10 citations by others)

Osborne, Evan. "The Sources of Growth at Different Stages of Development." *Contemporary Economic Policy* 24 (4), October 2006, 536-547. (31 citations by others)

Osborne, Evan. "Baseball's International Division of Labor." *Journal of Sports Economics* 7 (2), May 2006, 150-167. (15 citations by others + 1 self-citation)

Osborne, Evan. "Education Reform as Economic Reform." *Cato Journal* 25 (2), Spring/Summer 2005, 297-317. (9 citations by others)

Osborne, Evan. "Measuring Bad Governance." *Cato Journal*, 23 (3), Winter 2004, 403-422. (34 citations by others + 2 self-citations)

Osborne, Evan. "Rethinking Foreign Aid." *Cato Journal*, 22 (2), Fall 2002, 297-316. (26 citations by others + 1 self-citation)

Osborne, Evan. "What's Yours is Mine: A Rent-Seeking Theory of the Common Law." *Public Choice*, 111 (3-4), June 2002, 399-415. (16 citations by others + 1 self-citation)

Hirshleifer, Jack, and Osborne, Evan. "Truth, Effort and the Legal Battle." *Public Choice*, 108 (1-2), July 2001, 169-195. (123 citations by others)

Osborne, Evan. "Financial Crashes in the Globalization Era." *The Independent Review*, 6 (2), Fall 2001, 165-184. (5 citations by others)

Osborne, Evan. "Culture, Development, and Government: Reservations in India." *Economic Development and Cultural Change*, 49 (3), April 2001, 659-685. (58 citations by others + 2 self-citations)

Osborne, Evan. "Efficient Markets? Don't Bet on It." *Journal of Sports Economics*, 2 (1), February 2001, 50-61. (29 citations by others + 1 self-citation)

Osborne, Evan. "Diversity, Multiculturalism, and Ethnic Conflict: A Rent-Seeking Perspective." *Kyklos*, 53 (4), 2000, 509-526. (24 citations by others + 2 self-citations)

Osborne, Evan. "Labor Surplus in Korea: A Reassessment." *International Economic Journal*, 14 (4), Winter 2000, 125-141. (4 citations by others)

Osborne, Evan. "Who Should be Worried About Asymmetric Information in Litigation?" *International Review of Law and Economics*, 19 (3), September 1999, 399-409. (38 citations by others)

Osborne, Evan. "The Deceptively Simple Economics of Workplace Diversity." *Journal of Labor Research*, 21 (3), Summer 2000, 463-475. (31 citations by others)

Hirsch, Werner Z. and Evan Osborne. "The Privatization of Government Services: Pressure-Group Resistance and Service Transparency." *Journal of Labor Research*, 21 (2), Spring 2000, 315-326. (44 citations by others)

Osborne, Evan. "Is the Exclusionary Rule Worthwhile?" *Contemporary Economic Policy*, 17 (3), July 1999, 381-389. (9 citations by others)

Osborne, Evan. "Courts as Casinos? An Empirical Investigation of Randomness and Efficiency in Civil Litigation." *Journal of Legal Studies*, 28 (1), Jan. 1999, 187-203. (28 citations by others)

Osborne, Evan. "A Theory of Gridlock: Strategic Behavior in Legislative Deliberations." *Atlantic Economic Journal*, 26 (3), Sept. 1998, 238-251. (3 citations by others)

Hirsch, Werner Z. and Osborne, Evan. "The Funding of Government Mandates." *Kyklos*, 47 (2), 1994, 427-436. (4 citations by others)

Non-Refereed Articles

Hirsch, Werner Z. and Osborne, Evan. "Law and Economics -- Valuable But Controversial." *Law and Social Inquiry*, 17 (3), Summer 1992, 521-537. (6 citations by others)

Book chapters

“International Labor Mobility and the National Basketball Association.” In Leo Kahane and Steven Shmanske (eds.), *The Oxford Handbook of Sports Economics Volume I: The Economics of Sports*. New York: Oxford University Press, 2012, 137-155.

“Motivating College Athletics.” In John Fizel and Rodney Fort (eds.), *Economics of Collegiate Sports*. Westport, CT: Praeger, 2004. (8 citations by others)

Books

Osborne, Evan. *Self-Regulation and Human Progress: How Society Gains When We Govern Less* (Stanford University Press, forthcoming).

Osborne, Evan. *Reasonably Simple Economics: Why the World Works the Way it Does* (New York: Apress, 2013) (1 citation by others).

Osborne, Evan. *The Rise of the Anti-Corporate Movement: Corporations and the People Who Hate Them* (Westport, CT: Praeger/Greenwood, 2007; issued as paperback by Stanford University Press in March, 2009) (17 citations by others)

Unpublished papers, presented at conferences or cited by others

“A Theory of What’s Legal,” presented at the annual meetings of the Western Economic Association, 2012.

“Identity Crisis,” presented at the annual meetings of the Western Economic Association, 2011.

“The Liberal Peace and the Taiwan Straits,” presented at the annual meetings of the North American Taiwan Studies Association, 2010.

“A Model of Firms in a Virtual World,” presented at the annual meetings of the Western Economic Association, 2009.

“Rivalries,” presented at the annual meetings of the Western Economic Association, 2008. (2 citations by others + 1 self-citation)

“Performance-Enhancing Drugs: An Economic Analysis,” presented at the annual meetings of the Western Economic Association, 2005. (7 citations by others)

Osborne, Evan. “Some Economics of Chinese Prison Labor.” (2007) (2 citations by others)

Osborne, Evan. “The Determinants of Happiness: Some Migration Evidence.” (2005) (4 citations by others)

Osborne, Evan. "The Keys to the Kingdom: Income Taxation and the State," presented at the annual meetings of the Western Economic Association (2002). (1 citation by others)

Osborne, Evan. "Try, Try Again: Does the Appellate System Correct Errors?," presented at the annual meetings of the International Atlantic Economic Association, Montreal, October, 1999. (1 citation by others)

Osborne, Evan. "Cui Bono? An Economic Model of Conspiracy Theories," presented at the annual meetings of the Western Economic Association, San Diego, 1999 (1 citation by others).

Hirsch, Werner Z. and Osborne, Evan. "The Labor Factor in Contracting Out," presented at the annual meetings of the American Economic Association, San Francisco, 1996.

Total citations: 624 citations by others + 12 self-citations. *h*-index: 14.0

Note: "Citations" derived from Social Science Citations Index and <http://scholar.google.com>.

Teaching

Courses Created, Wright State University

Marxism, as it Happened. An honors-course exploration of the economic thinking of Karl Marx and the Marxists who came after him, as well as an exploration of the grim historical record of communism as actually practiced.

Adam Smith. An investigation of the ideas, including their historical resonance, found in *An Inquiry into the Nature and Causes of the Wealth of Nations* and *The Theory of Moral Sentiments*. What was groundbreaking about Smith's thinking? What do we think today he got right and wrong?

Business and Society. A seminar for freshman students, which takes a partly social-science, partly humanities approach to the conflicting views about the influence business and commerce have on society. Students read journalism, articles by social scientists, song lyrics, literature and judicial decisions as raw material for discussing these questions. The course number this class carries allows professors from a variety of departments to design a class on a theme that interests them, and to use it to introduce students to the world of ideas and to the university itself.

Economic and Financial Instability. An upper-division elective on the financial and technological sources of economic crashes, as well as of positive and negative economic instability generally. (Also taught at Soochow University, Taiwan)

Economics of State and Society. Part of the new Wright State University general-education sequence, introduced in spring, 2014. It is part of a course cluster with a companion course in the philosophy department, and covers the economics of government in the context of a liberal society.

Analysis of Global Economic Conditions (formerly International Business and the Global Economy). An MBA course that is a unique and comprehensive survey of the key features and implications of globalization. (Also taught at Soochow University, Taiwan, and the University of Applied Science, Jena, Germany.)

Law and Economics. A standard upper-division course in law and economics.

The Economics of Sports. Use of professional and collegiate sports to illustrate core theoretical concepts from labor economics, industrial organization, microeconomics, financial economics, law and economics, and international economics. Includes material generally not covered in sports-economics courses elsewhere, including issues in the law and economics of sports, sports and international-trade theory, and presentation, at the end of term, of latest published research from others.

The Economics of Diversity. Applying new developments in the economics of conflict as well as older insights from labor economics, public choice and elsewhere to understand how highly diverse societies function: discrimination and whether and why it happens, ethnoreligious conflict and cooperation, the economics of identity creation, the economics of immigration, the effects of globalization on cultural diversity. As far as I have been able to ascertain, this is the first (and perhaps still only) course on this theme anywhere in the world.

The Great Depression. A unique course on the economics and history of the Depression. Among the questions explored: Why did it begin? Why did it last so long? What was the relation between the Depression and enthusiasm for totalitarianism? Why did the U.S. fare worst? (Also taught at University of Applied Sciences, Jena, Germany)

Courses Taught, Wright State University

Economic Life (survey course for non-majors)

Economic Life (Honors)

Microeconomic Principles

Macroeconomic Principles

Intermediate Microeconomic Theory

International Economic Relations

International Trade

International Monetary Theory

Global Economic Conditions (formerly International Business and the Global Economy, MBA course on globalization)

Global Economic Conditions – China (same course, taught for cohorts of MBA students at Wright State University from China)

Law and Economics

The Social and Regulatory Environment of Business (Department of Management)

The Economics of Sports

The Economics of Diversity

The Great Depression (Honors course)

Economic and Financial Instability

Freshman seminar, Business and Society

Adam Smith

Marxism, as it Happened (Honors course)

The Economics of State and Society

Other Professional Activities

Scholarship-Related Activities

Referee for *Economic Inquiry*, *International Review of Law and Economics*, *Contemporary Economic Policy*, *Journal of Legal Studies*, *Journal of Sports Economics*, *Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization*, *Journal of Economic Surveys*, *Journal of Economics and Business*, *Southern Economic Journal*, *Journal of Applied Economics*, *Journal of School Choice*, *Review of Developing Areas*, *British Journal of Industrial Relations*, *International Journal of Sports Finance*, *Libertarian Papers* and for the National Science Foundation.

University Service

Organization, in 2017, of RSCOB faculty group for working on improving members' teaching.

Organization, in 2017, of externally funded student (staff and community members have also attended) group devoted to reading, and listening to invited speakers, on subjects involving public corruption and freedom of expression. (See under Grants.)

Organization of numerous independent interdisciplinary book groups within WSU's general-education and also business-college faculty.

Organization of "Liberty Lunch" discussion series (university-wide). For several years twice a term I led a discussion, primarily with students (although all in the university community were invited) on topics in political economy. Later these discussions migrated to the economics club.

Periodic faculty advisor to student Economics Club.

Committee work: standard undergraduate curriculum committees (department- and college-level), Raj Soin College of Business faculty-governance committee (Faculty Executive Committee, FEC), university committee to select common freshmen text, university general-education committee, university first-year experience committee, university free-speech committee, university writing committee, undergraduate academic-programs committee, assorted hiring committees at both university and department level. Chair of RSCOB FEC, late fall 2013-spring, 2015. Was able in this role to work productively, I hope, with senior university leadership to oversee college improvement and manage such conflicts in the college as arose.

Member of ad hoc group to improve assessment at Wright State University, under direction of university's senior vice president for curriculum and instruction (2005-2008).

Spring and Summer, 2002: Participant in curriculum development in association with United States Department of Education Title VIA Grant, Undergraduate International Studies and Foreign Language Program: "Encountering the Old and New Worlds: Enhancing Student and Faculty Involvement in European and Western Hemispheric Studies."

Media Relations

Comments have appeared in or on AP, Reuters, Orange County Register, Christian Science Monitor, New York Times, National Public Radio, Newsweek International, Bloomberg Radio, WCBS-AM (New York City), Slate, Chicago Daily Herald, Forbes.com, Veja (Brazilian national newsweekly), Dayton Daily News, Richmond Times-Dispatch, Dayton Business Weekly, several Dayton TV and radio stations. My comments on several aspects of sports economics have frequently appeared in newspapers worldwide, and I have appeared on several major radio talk shows to talk about anti-corporate thought and activism.

Languages

Chinese (Fluent reading and writing, as well as speaking and listening in Mandarin)

Japanese (Some reading, minimal speaking and listening, no writing)

French (Fluent reading, some writing, speaking and listening)